



**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED  
EXAMINING GROUP 2633**

**PATENT**

Customer No. 22,852

Attorney Docket No. 04329.2740-00

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
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Yoshinori YUKI et al. ) Group Art Unit: 2633  
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Application No.: 10/079,497 ) Examiner: Bello, Agustin  
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Filed: February 22, 2002 )  
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For: WAVELENGTH DIVISION ) Confirmation No.: 9352  
MULTIPLEXING RING NETWORK )  
SYSTEM, OPTICAL PATH )  
SETTING METHOD, RECOVERY )  
METHOD, AND PROGRAM )

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Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

Responsive to the final Office Action mailed October 18, 2005, having a period for response extending through February 21, 2006 (February 18 being a Saturday and February 20 being a Federal Holiday) by the attached Petition for Extension of Time and requisite fee payment, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, Applicants request consideration and entry of the following:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 3.

**Amendments to the Drawings** are made in the attached replacement sheet and are discussed on page 23 and in the **Remarks** section of this paper.

**Remarks** follow the amendment sections of this paper and begin on page 24.

**Attachments to this paper** include one (1) replacement drawing sheet and a copy of a Form PTO-1449.